

The Gulf of Mexico Task Force and Charter

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What is a Renewable Energy Intergovernmental Task Force?

- OCSLA requires coordination with the Governor of any affected State [30 CFR 585.102(e)]
- Initiated by a state Governor request to BOEM
- Coordination and information exchange with governmental partners
- Members include elected officers of state, local, and tribal governments and federal officials



Renewable Energy Intergovernmental Task Forces

- Several Task Forces have been established by BOEM.
- Facilitates local and regional stakeholder input and transparency
- Active through all phases of program
- Regional Approach
 - NY Bight
 - Carolinas
 - Gulf of Maine
 - Gulf of Mexico





Who is Involved?

- Task Force is chartered under an exception to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) 41 CFR § 102-3.40(g)
- Members limited to "full-time or permanent parttime officers or employees of the Federal Government and elected officers of State, local and tribal governments (or their designated employees with authority to act on their behalf), acting in their official capacities."
- If you do not meet this definition, you can still attend and observe the meeting.





Who is Involved?





















Federal

USACE, NOAA, DOD, USCG, DHS, USGS, USFWS, EPA, DOE, FCC, DOT, OMB, CEQ, FAA, DOC, FERC

State

- State officials, coastal and environmental organizations
- **Elected officials**

Local

Elected officials

Tribal

Federally recognized tribes



Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force Charter

Why a Charter?

Establishes the Task Force

Clarifies the:

- Purpose
- Authority
- Membership
- Roles and Responsibilities
- Communication



Revision Date:

Gulf of Mexico Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force Charter

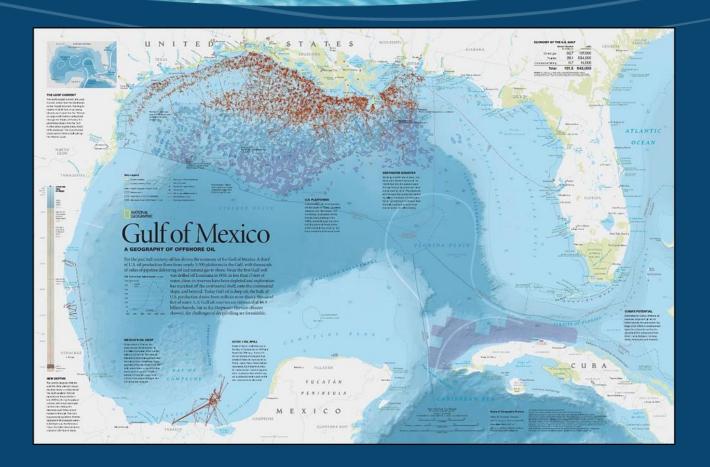
Introduction

Under the regulatory framework for renewable energy activity on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) issues leases, easements, and rights-of-way for orderly, safe, and environmentally responsible offshore renewable energy development activities, such as the siting and construction of wind generation facilities on the OCS. This charter establishes the BOEM Gulf of Mexico (GOM) Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force ("Task Force") to provide a forum for: 1) educating members about the renewable energy program, processes, and requirements; 2) exchanging data and information; 3) discussing issues of concern; and 4) assisting government decision-making within the established BOEM regulatory framework regarding renewable energy activity on the OCS in the Gulf of Mexico.



Charter: Purpose

- An information exchange to facilitate coordination and consultation related to renewable energy planning activities on the OCS in the Gulf of Mexico
- Task Force is neither a decisionmaking nor approval body
- Secretary of Interior remains the ultimate decision-maker



Charter: Communication

- BOEM will hold Task Force meetings or webinars in coordination with the state points of contact.
- Public information or materials generated from Gulf of Mexico Task Force meetings will be made available on the BOEM website.



https://www.boem.gov/renewable-energy/gulf-mexico-intergovernmental-renewable-energy-task-force-meeting



Comments on the Charter

- If you have further comments on the Charter, please email ldrissa.boube@boem.gov
 by Tuesday, July 6, 2021.
- Charter will be finalized and posted on the BOEM Gulf of Mexico website.





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